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Project ZRRIFLE

1. Identification: The purpose of Project ZRRIFLE is to spot, develop, and use ~~foreign~~ agent assets for Division D ~~pos~~ operations. Agents will be spotted in several areas, including the United States, but ~~will posh~~ for operational security reasons will probably not be used in their countries of residence. Present developmental activity is being conducted in the WE and EE areas, but it is anticipated that this will be extended to other division areas. The project will be operated against third-country installations and personnel.

2. Objectives: The objective of this project is [redacted] in accordance with requirements levied on the Clandestine Services, [redacted]. Since these requirements are subject to frequent revision, no listing of targets would be valid for the duration of the project. Specific operations will be mounted on the basis of need and opportunity. The project will be conducted by Division D with assistance from area divisions and stations as ~~3. Background:~~ needed.

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3. Background: In response to the increasing requirements [redacted], Division D in 1960 began the spotting of agent assets as a developmental activity. During the same

period requirements [redacted] became more refined and in many respects more sensitive. Because most stations are not equipped to conduct this type of operation and because of the desirability of completely centralized control over this entire effort, it was determined that Division D, [redacted], could best conduct the activity. The ~~first~~ spotting activity has now advanced far enough to justify removing from the OOA category.

4. Operational assets:

(1) Personnel: QJWIN is under written contract as a principal agent, with the primary task of spotting agent candidates. QJwin was first contacted in 1958 [redacted], in connection with an illegal narcotics operation into the United States. For a period of a year and a half he was contacted sporadically [redacted], in behalf of the Bureau of Narcotics. Files of this Bureau reflect an excellent performance by QJwin. In ~~September~~ October 1960,

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QJWIN annual salary:	$7,200
Travel + ops expenses for QJWIN + other agents & agent candidates:	2,000
Fees for services by and standby of agents and agent candidates:	2,000
Travel of staff employees engaged in ZRRIFLE activity:	2,500
Hire of safehouses, automobiles and other operational expenses:	1,000
	$14,700

Pay for agents on completion of jobs?

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1) Legal, ethical → morale, operational problems; political: non-attributability.

2) Our own experience ([redacted]) (+ effect on DDP) and experience w/KGB ([redacted]) → require most professional, proven operationally competent, ruthless, stable, CE-experienced ops officers (few available), able to conduct patient search + w/guts to pull back if instinct or knowledge tells him he should, + w/proven high regard for operational security. Assessments are all-important.

3) Maximum security:

a. Kubark only (e.g., what does [redacted] now know?); no approach to other Govt. agencies.

b. Within Kubark, one focal point for control, search, tracing, case officering, etc. - DDP authority in this focal point mandatory. DCI officially advised?

c. Max. security cable commo for innocuous cables only; no restrictions on travel; possibility of one-man overseas (Europe) control base with own (non-Station) commo. Word of mouth + no bashfulness re trips.

d. No PA's (except for search), or intermediaries; rigid case-officering, from start to finish.

e. No approach to officials of foreign govts.

f. No use of any agent who ever worked for a U.S. Govt. agency. Tracing by opposition would reveal.

g. Use of already tested assets (e.g., [redacted]) in the search.

h. Stand-by list of Kubarkers who can

pass as foreigners.

i. Pretext: [redacted] search; this established w/ [redacted]
j. No discussions in stations. k. No "tegn" until ready to go if at all.

4. Blackmail:

a. No American citizens or residents or people who ever obtained U.S. visa.

b. No chain of connections: strictly person to person; singleton ops.

c. No meeting any candidate in home territory.

d. Exclude organization [redacted] criminals, those w/record of arrests, those w/instability of purpose as criminals.

e. Staffers involved—selection.

5. Cover: planning should include provision for blaming Sovs or Czechs in case of blow.

6. Testing of nominees essential: re following directions, security, blackmail.

7. Former resistance personnel a possibility.

8. Use nobody who has never dealt w/criminals; otherwise will not be aware of pitfalls or consider factors such as freedom to travel, wanted lists, etc.

9. [redacted]

10. Possible use of staffers for the action.

11. [redacted]

Keeping of files.

freedom to travel 6

Legal; operational + ethical → moral problems. [redacted] case.

1) Maximum security + within Kubark only ([redacted] not secure enough.) (e.g., how much does [redacted] now know?). Limitation on number [redacted]. Guise of [redacted] objective.

2) One focal point for search, control, tracing, case-officer + PA selection. Complete DDP authority in this focal point mandatory. Overseas one-man control base with own (non-Station) commo.

3) Every operation to be rigidly case-officered; no silk-shirt PA's.

Non-attributability:

4) No American citizens or American residents for direct action; possibly for approach to foreign elements. No criminal who tainted by use by another American agency. Use of

5) case officers who can pass as foreigners — and limited official reference.

5) No chain of connections permitting blackmail.

6) Don't meet any selectee in home territory.

7) Avoid discussion w/ foreign officials until all possibilities of search through private citizens (e.g., QJWIN) has been examined.

8) Planning should include provision for blaming Soviets (or Czechs) in case of blow. ∴ 4 above essential.

9) Exclude organization criminals, those with record of arrests, those who have engaged in several types of crime.

10) [redacted] recommended. [redacted]

11) Former resistance personnel offer possibilities. (OSS archives.)

12) Period of testing, surveillance, etc. for each selectee.

13) ~~Any~~ All Kubark personnel involved should have some CE experience.

14) [redacted] + stable in [redacted]

15) What are limits on team or individuals ~~sel~~ selected? No "team" until ready to go.

16) ~~Too~~ Danger of standbys.

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...ed 1 – 25/1 – Exec Action

— "The Magic Button"

Narcotics Büro

"for a living" – RIS 201 Cover

Caution – Bankruptcy – No Stars

eyes – Jim A. / Contradistinct from U-2 /

not a TSD problem

Apply brakes

Last resort beyond last resort & a confession of weakness. —

– El Benefactor — assumptions –

Examples 3 "wrong"

Framework of [redacted] job: [redacted]

[redacted] memo.

[redacted]

[redacted] Fear

Anathesia —

26/1 — [redacted] Fanfani DCI - Matter -

No file Review -

[redacted]

1. Select proper officer to run —
2. [redacted] Max of 2/3
3. Security Rules B-WHM-AS-3
4. Minimize levels [redacted] - Reserv.

Last Resort - Brakes - Substitute - ...

6. no [redacted]
7. no projects or papers except for cover.
8. Principal agent - # ([redacted])? - [redacted] Project Chief LCH - ticket 1500 - from RB. Mark spot requ. relat to project - dec Eliske
9. Disposal -
10. Targets who & where - Must know before we can spot -

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11. Case officering
12. [redacted]
13. [redacted]

Fd list - Remember